POQUOSON
# Island Times

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## Winning team

**This Poquoson basketball team won 10 games and lost one in 1929. Their only loss was at the tournament game played at William and Mary College for the championship of the eastern section of Virginia. Shown are, left to right, front row: Nelson Watkins and Hugh Moore; second row: Nelson Moore, Elwood Forrest, Chester Page and Edgar Forrest (captain); back row: Traynham Topping (coach), Henry Lawson and Robert Forrest (manager). Edgar Forrest made the photo available for reprint so a copy could be included in the city's collection of "Poquoson Past and Present." The collection is being compiled and indexed for the city by Barbara Rollins-Reed. If you have old photos you would be willing to share with others, for the collection and the paper, contact Mrs. Reed, 868-7199 or 868-9644.**

# Construction on sewer lines completed

In 1982, as part of the Trinity Neighborhood Rehabilitation Project Grant, city sanitary sewerage construction began for two project areas.

One project covered Freeman Drive and Poquoson Avenue between Freeman Drive and Lawson Road. The second project covered Ridge and Messick Roads.

Construction on both new sewer lines is completed.

Effective Jan. 3, 1983, residents of Ridge and Messick Roads, where the new sewer line has been installed, will be able to connect to city sewer. Those wishing to do so must pay a tap fee and obtain a plumbing permit at the Building Inspector's office at the Municipal Building.

The tap fee is $350 if it is paid on or before March 1, 1983. After that date it will increase to $600.

Although the city has accepted the sewer lines into the city system, they still are not satisfied with the completion of the repaving of Ridge and Messick Roads. Acceptance of that portion of the construction is still under consideration.

The new sewer line on Ridge and Messick Roads empties into existing pump stations, but a new pump station was required to drain the new sewer lines on Poquoson Avenue and Freeman Drive. This pump station was scheduled to be completed by Oct. 1, 1982, but delays in the delivery of parts to the contractor from equipment suppliers and hookup of the meter by VEPCO made completion on schedule impossible.

Before final inspection and acceptance by the city, power must be connected to the station, an alarm system must be installed, and the station's operation effectiveness must be tested.

The pump station is expected to become operational within the next thirty days. Residents of Freeman Drive and Poquoson Avenue, where the new sewer line has been installed, will then be able to connect to the city sewer system. Those residents will be notified by mail concerning information on what procedures to follow if they desire to tap into the system.

If you have questions, or require additional information, about the new sanitary sewer system, contact City Engineer Kristen Lawrence, at 868-7151.

# New prices become effective today

At the Dec. 31 meeting of the Islander Publications Board of Directors, several changes were made regarding the price of the Poquoson Island Times.

Effective Jan. 7, the single copy cost for the newspaper becomes 20 cents. The cost for annual subscriptions is increased to $10 for those delivered in Poquoson and $12 for subscriptions mailed outside of the city.

On Jan. 28, The Poquoson Island Times will be mailed to subscribers. Copies will also be available for sale at various retail locations in the city.

Those who have previously subscribed at the $7.50 annual rate will have their subscriptions continued in effect until January, 1984.

Due to the large number of subscriptions expected to arrive in a short period of time, it is suggested that new subscribers act at once to insure uninterupted delivery. Subscriptions received by Jan. 14 will begin on Jan. 28. Those received after that date will be processed on a first come, first served basis, with as many as possible beginning on that date. It could take as long as two weeks to process the expected influx of subscriptions.

The increase in the subscription and single copy costs are necessary to insure a sound financial base for the Poquoson Island Times. To date, advertising revenue has not been sufficient to allow the newspaper to continue on a voluntary subscription basis, especially with the increased cost of distribution using the postal system.

In other business, the board agreedthat the company will become more involved in the printing aspect of the business. The Poquoson Island Times will carry an extensive line of business cards and stationary as well as wedding invitations and accessories, general invitations and stationary, and rubber stamps.

The board recogized the need to increase the reporting of sports in the newspaper. Editor,Bill Sylvia, said that he is anxious to do so and is continuing his efforts to identify an individual with the time and the ability to cover the various sporting events which take place in the city.